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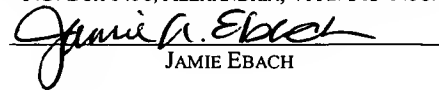
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the outstanding Office Action mailed August 7, 2003. Claims 1-34 are pending in the application and are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

The one-month shortened statutory period for response to the Restriction Requirement expires on Sunday, September 7, 2003. This response to the Restriction Requirement, filed Monday, September 08, 2003, is believed to be timely filed within the shortened statutory period.

It is believed that no fee is required in filing this Response to the Restriction Requirement. However, if a fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and notify us of the same.